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## NEW MUNICIPAL COURT PLAN IS DANGEROUS TO DEFENDANTS

If New Act Is Passed Accused Man Will Be Helpless In Court—Cops Can Arrest Any Citizen Without Plea—Makes Judges All-Powerful.

Attacks on the municipal court act will be made till the end of the campaign by all trade union speakers and labor sympathizers.

They charge that it has some of the most cunning jokers ever slipped into a legislative measure. What the act means is not shown in any way on the little ballot to be voted on at the next election. The question simply reads:

"For the act entitled, 'An Act in Relation to the Municipal Court of Chicago.'"

"Against the act entitled, 'An Act in Relation to the Municipal Court of Chicago.'" It was passed by the legislature last June. The referendum on election day will either endorse it and put it into effect as a law right away on the day after election or it will be killed and that will be the end of it.

Fifty-two law book pages are taken up by the many long words and cunning jokers of the act. Two points are marked as especially victous, They provide:

 That a policeman shall have the power to arrest citizens without warrant even though the policeman has not seen the arrested citizen do an unlawful deed.

That the grand jury shall be abolished for all felony cases except treason and murder.